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Applicant:

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FILE PROCESSING DEVICE, FILE PROCESSING METHOD, PROGRAM OF

FILE PROCESSING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM ON WHICH PROGRAM OF FILE PROCESSING METHOD IS RECORDED, AND IMAGING DEVICE AND RECORDING MEDIUM ON WHICH FILE IS

RECORDED

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited on the attached PTO-1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, copies of all foreign patent documents and non-patent documents are enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account 02-1818 for any fees which are due and owing.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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